किस्म के नए उपस्कर शामिल किया जाना

— डायरेक्टरी पूछताछ बिल प्रणाली मैनुअल ट्रंक सेवा आदि जैसी दूर-संचार सेवाओं का कम्प्यूटरीकरण

— सभी स्ट्रोजर एमएएक्स-3 एक्सचेंजों के स्थान पर इलेक्ट्रानिक एक्सचेंज लगाना

— सभी एक्सचेंजों में राष्ट्रीय उपभोक्ता डायलिंग सुविधा प्रदान करने संबंधी कार्यक्रम के भाग के रूप में

— सभी एक्सचेंजों में उपभोक्ता ट्रंक डायलिंग सुविधा प्रदान करना

— यह संसाधनों की उपलब्धता पर निर्भर करेगा ।

Relief for Telephone Subscribers

2202. DR. SANJAYA SINH : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that he had announced a number of facilities for the Telephone Subscribers, recently, as per the newsitem entitled : "Relief on telephone not working", which appeared in the Hindustan Times, dated 3rd October, 1992; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Following facilities for the telephone subscribers were announced by the Minister of State for Communications.

(i) For telephone subscribers whose telephone services remain interrupted/ suspended continuously for more than 14 days due to departmental reasons, full month's rental would be waived.

(ii) Wherever Telephone Directories have not been published, the Directory Inquiry service 197 would be available without any charge.

(iii) Subscribers would be allowed to use their own telephone instrument.

(iv) STD/ISD Public Call Offices would be sanctioned to unemployed youths under liberalised policy.

Postal Employees on Strike in Madurai

2203. SHRI V. GOPALASAMY :
SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the postal employees, of Madurai in Tamilnadu observed a sit-in-strike;

(b) if so, what were their demands; and

(c) what decision Government have taken on their demands ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) Yes, Sir. A large number of postal employees in Madurai City participated in sit-in-strike from 26-10-92 to 1-11-92.

(b) Some local unions demanded that proposed re-organisation of Madurai Moffusil, Dindigul and Madurai City Divisions should not be implemented till specific proposals for alternative re-organisation of postal divisions submitted by them are examined/accepted.

(c) The Government have since implemented orders regarding re-organisation of postal services in three divisions w.e.f. 1-12-92.

Non Receipt of acknowledgement due cards by senders

2204. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Acknowledgement Due Card of Registered letters/ covers are not returned to the senders after delivery of the Registered letters/covers; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this ragard and what steps Government propose to ensure that the Acknowledgement Due Card certainly reaches the senders after their delivery to the addresses ?